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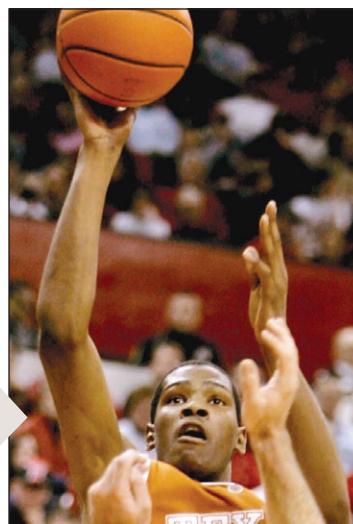
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WEEKEND

THURSDAY

Austin Tunes

The Spider House Ballroom hosts local acts including The Sour Notes and Elaine Greer, who are about to embark on a national tour.

FRIDAY

Classic Game Fest

Game Over Videogames starts up its weekend-long conference at its Austin store at 5 p.m.

SATURDAY

Free Skool

A concert featuring Texas bands will benefit Austin Free Skool, a local effort to increase community knowledge on diverse topics. The show starts at 7:30 p.m. at House of Commons Co-op on Rio Grande Street.

SUNDAY

Family Fun

Georgetown's Reunion Ranch is celebrating the Fourth of July a day early with a laser show, swimming and more. Tickets are \$20 for adults and the events start at 4 p.m.

DT Blogs

Learn about the life of a DT comics writer and how they embrace technology in reading comics in their blog "The Comic Blog" bit.ly/dtcomics



Quote to note

What we do as men now is we go to cupcake bakeries and we go to Pinkberry's frozen yogurt and we go to yoga for God's sake. It's pathetic.

— **Marty Beckerman**
Author of "Heming Way"

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Decreased state funding leads to fewer grants

By Huma Munir
Daily Texan Staff

UT lost 19 percent of its state and federal grants and scholarships for the next academic year, which means students will see much less money in their financial aid packages when the Office of Student Financial Services begins distributing them July 1.

"I am sorry to say there won't be much

grant funding to go around," said Financial Services Director Tom Melecki.

Federally funded scholarships including Academic Competitiveness Grants, SMART Grant, LEAP Grant and SLEAP Grant will not be receiving any funds for 2011-12, Melecki said. State funding for TEXAS Grants is also reduced by \$11 million, and the Engineering Scholarship Program will not be funded next year.

Before the legislative session ended, the UT administration predicted there wouldn't be any TEXAS Grant money to offer incoming eligible freshmen, Melecki said. The senate increased the number of state dollars for TEXAS Grants in the special session, and now the University will award roughly 1,100 out of 2,000 eligible freshmen.

Pell Grants will stay the same for next year, but Congress has eliminated the grant for

summer 2012. The most a student can receive through a Pell Grant is \$5,550 a year, but a dramatic proposal being discussed by Congress could reduce the amount by almost \$2000 in the future, Melecki said.

UT will lose \$119,000 from the Federal Work Study program and \$7,000 from the

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Allen Otto | Daily Texan Staff

Firework stand owners, such as owner of Big Bang Fireworks Sean McMahon, will have to shut down their stands this season due to the Travis County burn ban.

Ban extinguishes firework plans

Interstate 35 is dotted with red, white and blue stands that open only a few days a year. The stands are a symbol of summer for many, but a fireworks ban in place because of the extreme drought ravaging the state may extinguish Independence Day's traditional spark — especially for the firework vendors who provide that spark to everyone else.

A burn ban and a subsequent fireworks ban

in Travis County are forcing firework vendors to deal with the loss of income and tradition.

"We're very sympathetic to the fact that these are individuals that are out a part of their annual income," said Travis County Fire Marshal Hershel Lee. "It was difficult to make that kind of decision. But, in weighing the possibility that a wildfire would occur, that decision had to be made."

Some fireworks vendors agreed, despite their loss of income.

"We'd already decided about three or four weeks before they shut us down that we were

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Dry weather tampers with Travis County Fourth of July

By Will Alsdorf
Daily Texan Staff

Much of Texas will have to go without the rockets' red glare to illuminate the stars and stripes this Fourth of July because the sale and personal use of fireworks are banned in Travis and surrounding counties after dry conditions have increased the risk of wildfires. Many cities, including Austin, have also canceled their annual fireworks displays.

Ninety-six percent of the state is experiencing a drought that started in October, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor, and on Monday the USDA responded to the harsh conditions by declaring 213 of Texas' 254 counties primary natural disaster areas. Individual counties had already responded to the drought. As of Monday, 164 counties had fireworks bans, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety, with bans pending in six counties. As of Wednesday, 236 counties had burn bans, according to the Texas Forestry Service.

"Travis County has been under a burn ban since December 2010, and the conditions have progressed to the point where we are now," said Travis County Fire Marshal Hershel Lee. "The number of outdoor fires is alarming to us."

Although counties' fire marshals can give permits for pub-

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Formula 1 to bring wealth, greener energy to Austin

By Liz Famer
Daily Texan Staff

Austin City Council approved a contract Wednesday that enables the city to host the first U.S. Formula 1 race since 2007, allowing construction on the track to move forward.

After lengthy public input over the past few weeks, the contract passed in a special session Wednesday. Under the terms of the contract, no city money will be used to fund the track. It also outlines environmental standards for the track that should make it the "greenest motor sports facility in the world," according to a City Council press release. The track will host other events including bike races and concerts.

The revenue from events at the track should help the Austin economy said Roy Benear, Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau senior vice president.

"It's not just about the one race. It's about the events," Benear said. "They want to build a long-lasting relationship in the hotel industry. They are a venue operator that have this track that is designed for various races whether it's motorcycle, car, human driven."

Rodney Gonzales, deputy director for economic growth and redevelopment services for the city, said there will be an estimated 4,000 employment opportunities during large

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Rebeca Rodriguez | Daily Texan Staff

An F1 construction worker, who declined to be named, attended the City Council meeting in order to show his support for the project. After four hours of debating, Austin approved to fund a race to be held in 2012.

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What is the past tense of tweet?

CLOWNIN' AROUND



Erika Rich | Daily Texan Staff

Silly Sparkles the Clown paints children's faces at the Austin Symphony Orchestra's Children's Day Art Park. The event is one in a series that runs from June into July, where children can listen to symphony members perform, as well as engage in arts and crafts activities.

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events such as the F1 race.

"This is a great opportunity to create jobs for all types of people, especially in an area that has been economically depressed," Gonzales said.

Council member Chris Riley helped establish an agreement for the environmental standards that the track will be expected to meet.

According to the press release, plans for the track include investment in on-site renewable energy, aggressive recycling and composting practices and carbon offsets such as planting trees.

"I think it presents a package that includes a wide variety of sustainability on site and in the community in terms of carbon offsets," Riley said. "We've provided the basis for future research and development. In the future, there will be growing pressure for us to reduce our dependency on fossil fuels, so we now have set up for Austin to be at the center for those research efforts."

Council member Laura Morrison and newly elected council member Kathie Tovo voted against the contract. Morrison said the state funding controversy led her to vote against the measure. The state comptroller offered Formula 1 \$25 million every year for the next few years if they hold the race in Texas.

"It's something I always struggled with, the fact that we are party to unlocking the state funds," Morrison said. "I don't think we should be participating and enabling a quarter of a billion dollar tax payment to a private for-profit enterprise."

In public statements, Mayor Lee Leffingwell said public testimony should focus on specific items in the contract, not its overall merits.

Austin resident Susan Moffat testified against the contract before the vote Wednesday, expressing concerns about vague language and haste in the decision making process. These concerns contributed to a delay in voting on the contract originally scheduled for last Thursday.

"Nothing in this deal is solid, and I think it would behoove you to take the time you need to get all this vetted by my imaginary, pit bull, ruthless attorney and somebody who has vast experience dealing with the statutory obligations in the context of these complex legal instruments," Moffat said.

The agreement outlines collaboration with local educational institutions including UT, Texas State University, Huston-Tillotson University and Texas A&M University to do green racing and transportation research, according to the press release.

Finance senior Mark Wise is a member of UT's Formula Society of Automotive Engineers. The student organization placed eighth overall out of 80 university teams competing for car design at the most recent Formula Society of Automotive Engineers competition.

"We could partner with Austin Formula 1, not only for sponsorship, but for expertise," Wise said. "It's probably the most serendipitous thing to happen for the team in a while."

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state's program, he said. "What we are dealing with here is fewer grant dollars for all of our students and quite frankly, that means we will have to offer them more forms of loan dollars to help them fund their education," Melecki said.

He said the government loans offered to students have good interest rates and flexible payment options, and it's a good investment for education. Financial services will hold workshops next semester to help students manage their finances better, he said.

Nutrition junior Monique Maiorino said it is imperative she gets grants that will cover her entire tuition next year. She said she had to take out loans last year, and the burden of paying them off is overwhelming.

"It's also on my dad because he

had to co-sign for bank loans," Maiorino said. "It's kind of scary for both of us because we are going through a rough time."

Advertising graduate student Jessica Colt said her summer financial aid package was unexpectedly delayed three weeks and she did not have any money to pay for books and supplies for summer classes.

"I felt like there was no communication [from] the [financial services] staff," Colt said.

Miguel Wasielewski, Student Financial Services assistant director, said as the fall semester approaches, students and parents have become increasingly anxious to receive notifications of their eligibility.

"Families have also been understanding of the fact that these delays stemmed from the uncertainty of the state budget," Wasielewski said.

THE CUTS: A BREAKDOWN

FEDERAL	2010-11	2011-12	Change
SMART Grant	\$2,882,665	\$0	-\$2,882,665
LEAP Grant	\$73,224	\$0	-\$73,224
College Work Study	\$2,031,100	\$1,911,921	-\$119,179

STATE	2010-11	2011-12	Change
TEXAS Grants	\$32,808,965	\$21,880,000	-\$10,928,965
B-on-Time Lonas	\$7,795,397	\$3,613,900	-\$4,181,497
Engineering Scholarship Program	\$108,723	\$0	-\$108,723
Texas College Work Study	\$213,607	\$205,703	-\$7,904

All numbers are according to UT's Office of Student Financial Services.

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lic fireworks displays during bans, Lee said there won't be any public fireworks displays in Travis County because the next two weeks' weather forecast does not include rain or moisture. Lee said that using fireworks during a ban is a Class C misdemeanor.

"What the public needs to understand is citations can be issued and then they have to appear in court and pay a fine of up to \$500," Lee said.

Georgetown, located adjacent to Williamson County, is one of the few cities in Central Texas still planning on having its July Fourth fireworks display.

"We've had a number of meetings to talk about [our fireworks display], starting a few weeks ago when Austin and Pflugerville were some of the first to cancel theirs," said city of Georgetown spokesman Keith Hutchinson. "We feel like conditions are going to be such that there's not a significant risk of fire in the fall zone."

Hutchinson said the city is taking extra precautions this year, including adding more fire trucks and personnel and using volunteer spotters to keep an eye out for fires from the public display. Because so many public fireworks displays in Central Texas have been canceled, Hutchinson said Georgetown is

expecting more visitors than normal this year.

Psychology junior Albert Chavez said because of the fireworks bans he won't be attending any public Fourth of July celebrations, but instead will spend time at Barton Springs with his friends.

"I was going to Dallas to watch the fireworks display, but then I heard about the bans across the state, so I'm not bothering," Chavez said.

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Chavez's health uncertain; government delays summit

By Ian James
The Associated Press

CARACAS, Venezuela — Venezuela's government postponed next week's summit of Latin American leaders Wednesday, citing President Hugo Chavez's health as he recovers from surgery in Cuba.

The decision to put off the July 5-6 meeting until later this year was announced shortly after new videos aired on state television showing Chavez chatting with Fidel Castro in Cuba, appearing lucid and talkative. Chavez's televised appearance broke a long post-surgery silence that has prompted speculation about his health.

"The president is in the middle of a recuperation process and extremely strict medical treatment," the Foreign Ministry said in a statement.

As a result, it said, Venezuela has consulted with other governments and "made the decision to postpone" the gathering of Latin American and Caribbean leaders on Margarita Island.

Chavez had been expected to host the summit on the 200th anniversary of Venezuela's independence from Spain. He promoted it as an event to lay the groundwork for a new regional bloc, the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States, that would exclude the United States and Canada.

Chavez has been largely out of sight since the government announced June 10 that he had undergone pelvic surgery. Chavez has said the surgery removed an abscess, yet a lack of details about his condition has fed speculation in Venezuela that the president might be seriously ill.

He spoke once in a telephone call to state television two days after the operation, and appeared in photographs alongside both Fidel and Raul Castro that were published June 18.

Vice President Elias Jaua said Chavez was on top of his duties and worked on military issues and other matters Wednesday. He did not provide other details about Chavez's health, nor say when he was expected to return home.



Granma | Associated Press

Cuba's Fidel Castro, left, and Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez view Granma newspaper in an unknown location in Havana, Cuba, Tuesday.



Jeff Gentner | Associated Press file photo

Helmets and crosses sit as a memorial at the entrance to Massey Energy's Upper Big Branch mine in Montcoal, W.Va. They represent the 29 coal miners who were killed in an explosion one year ago.

Coal mine in West Virginia faked safety logs before blast

By Tim Huber & Vicki Smith
The Associated Press

BEAVER, W.Va. — The owner of the West Virginia coal mine where an explosion killed 29 men last year kept two sets of books on safety conditions — an accurate one for itself and a sanitized one for the government, federal regulators said Wednesday.

Managers at Massey Energy pressured workers at the Upper Big Branch mine to omit safety problems from the official set of reports, said Mine Safety and Health Administration official Kevin Stricklin. Workers told investigators that the company wanted to avoid scrutiny from inspectors and keep coal production running smoothly.

Massey was bought by rival Al-

pha Natural Resources earlier this month, and the new owner said it is looking into the allegations.

Even before the April 5, 2010, tragedy that was the nation's deadliest coalfield disaster in four decades, Massey had a poor safety record and a reputation for putting coal profits first. The mine was cited for 600 violations in less than a year and a half before the blast.

In its previous briefings, Mine Safety and Health Administration blamed the explosion on naturally occurring methane gas and coal dust. It said poorly maintained cutting machinery sparked the blast and a malfunctioning water sprayer allowed a flare-up to become an inferno.

"Managers were aware that

chronic hazardous conditions were not recorded," Stricklin said. Testimony from some of the 266 people the administration interviewed "indicated that management pressured examiners to not record hazards" at Upper Big Branch.

So far, one Massey employee has been indicted. Security chief Hughie Stover was charged with lying to the FBI and the administration and obstructing justice by ordering thousands of pages of documents thrown out.

An independent investigation commissioned by former Gov. Joe Manchin accused Massey of allowing highly explosive coal dust and methane gas to accumulate.

"No one should have been injured," Stricklin said, "and definitely no one should have died."

NEWS BRIEFLY

Judge allows forced medication

of jailed Tucson shooting suspect

SAN DIEGO — A federal judge has ruled that prison officials can forcibly medicate the Tucson shooting rampage suspect with anti-psychotic drugs.

U.S. District Judge Larry Burns said he did not want to second guess doctors at a federal prison in Springfield, Mo.

Burns issued the decision Wednesday after Loughner's attorneys filed an emergency request to prevent any forced medication of their client. Defense attorneys said Loughner had been forcibly medicated since June 21.

Loughner has pleaded not guilty to charges stemming from the January shooting that killed six people and injured 13 others, including Rep. Gabrielle Giffords.

He has been at a federal prison facility in Missouri since May 28 after the judge concluded Loughner was mentally unfit to stand trial.

State Senate approves civil union, needs Rhode Island governor's OK

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — The Rhode Island Senate has approved a bill that would allow same-sex couples to enter into civil unions, a measure that Gov. Lincoln Chafee says he's inclined to sign.

State senators voted 21-16 Wednesday evening to endorse the bill. The legislation, which already has passed the state House, allows gay couples to enter into civil unions that offer the same rights and benefits given to married couples under Rhode Island law.

It is now headed to Chafee's desk for his signature.

Several gay marriage advocacy groups have urged Chafee to veto it because of what they call overly broad exemptions that would allow religious institutions to ignore rights given through civil unions. The measure would, for instance, let religious hospitals refuse a civil union spouse the right to make emergency medical decisions.

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OVERVIEW

Unsettling System payoff

After months of controversy surrounding the hiring of Rick O'Donnell, former director of Colorado's higher education department, as a special adviser to the UT Board of Regents, the UT System reached a settlement with O'Donnell to avoid a lawsuit, according to The Daily Texan.

Soon after the System hired O'Donnell in February at a \$200,000 salary, critics voiced concerns regarding the hiring process, O'Donnell's salary and his views on academic research. O'Donnell's employment was terminated in April.

As part of the settlement agreement, the System sent O'Donnell a glowing letter signed by Chairman Gene Powell and has agreed to pay him \$70,000. Neither the System nor O'Donnell has admitted fault.

But the situation could have been almost entirely avoided had the System been more transparent in its hiring process. O'Donnell's radical views on research and his employment with the Texas Public Policy Foundation, a nonprofit conservative think tank, sparked considerable controversy. Additionally, why the System agreed to pay O'Donnell an exorbitant six-figure salary in the midst of a System-wide budget crisis and faculty hiring freezes is bewildering.

"Taxpayer dollars will not be used as the source of funds for the settlement agreement with O'Donnell," UT System spokesman Anthony de Bruyn said in an email. "Interest earned off of local operating accounts, which does not include tuition dollars, will be the source of funds."

Still, the funds being funneled into O'Donnell's bank account should be destined for more worthy projects, ones that would have benefited Texans. We can only hope the Regents will have greater foresight when it comes to future hirings.

Pushing for the DREAM Act

A U.S. Senate committee held a hearing on the DREAM Act for the first time ever Tuesday.

The Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors Act would provide legal residency to those who have lived in the United States since at least age 15 if they complete college or military service for at least two years.

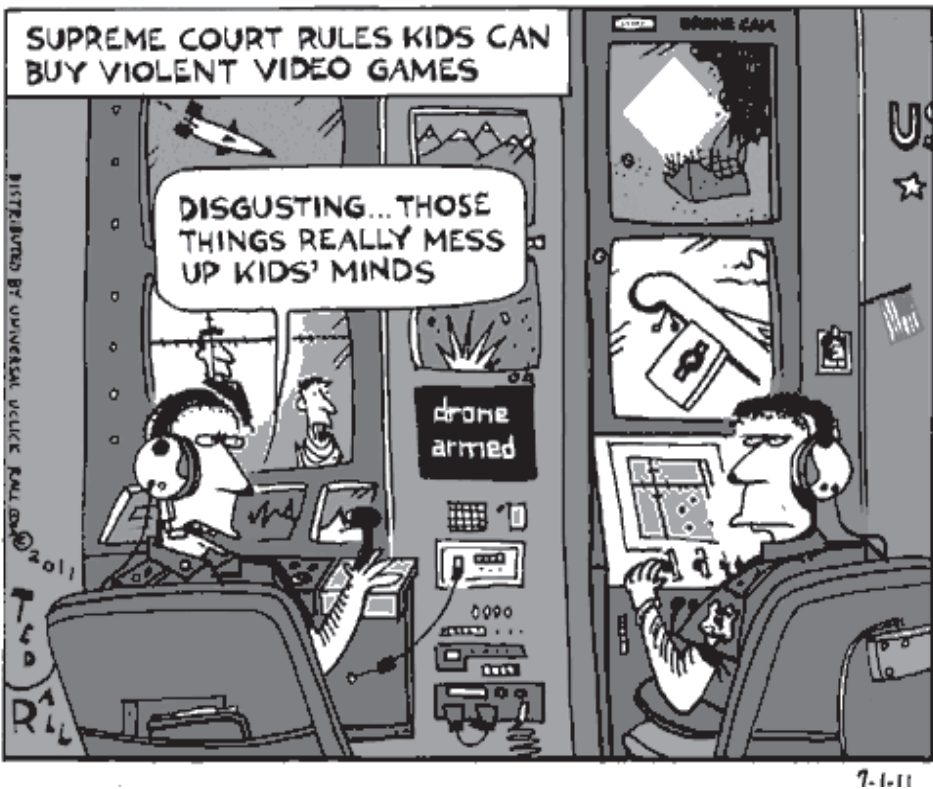
Most of those who would benefit from the passage of the act had no say in whether to come to the United States. Moreover, the act benefits the most educated and the most dedicated immigrants in the country.

Texas is one of 13 states that offers in-state tuition for undocumented students, Secretary of Education Arne Duncan said in the hearing. "Today, undocumented students in Texas are almost five times more likely to enroll in postsecondary education as undocumented students in nearby states that don't offer them in-state tuition," Duncan said.

The state already spends a significant amount of money educating those who would benefit from the act. By denying them access to the workforce, not only are those who have worked hard to earn an education unfairly disadvantaged, but the state loses its investment as well.

The Senate committee hearing was a positive step toward necessary immigration reform. While it is disappointing to see Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, speak out against the act, we hope members of Congress who support the act continue to push for its passage.

GALLERY



Don't sell the city's soul

By Harold Fisch
Daily Texan Columnist

The City Council voted Wednesday to endorse the Formula 1 racetrack. The vote will most likely bring the Grand Prix to Austin in 2012 — an event that has promised the city a lot while asking for surprisingly little. Yet the road to a race track in Austin has been long with some heavy twists and turns.

The track is promised to be state-of-the-art, environmentally conscious and available for a variety of different events. A MotoGP motorcycle race is already being planned to take place at the future location, and promoters for the project are envisioning concerts and track-and-field and bicycle races.

However, if you've been following the drama in the City Council chambers, you will notice that one phrase seems to sum up the mood surrounding the dealings: "If a deal sounds too good to be true, it is."

At best, the F1 project will bring a slew of attention and the potential for millions in investment to our fair city. On the other hand, Austin City Council members and Texas legislators may find themselves shoveling millions in taxpayer dollars into the coffers of foreign conglomerates while seeing little in return. It is certain that the race will make a lot of money; it is not certain that it will make any money for Austin.

This city has always prided itself in being an area that cultivates local business and entrepreneurs, and the city has always approached the world in its own way. This event will inevitably bring an illustrious crowd of international movers and shakers and ratchet up interest

in the area. But such attention may bring an end to the good economic vibes the city has cultivated, as the area becomes flooded with corporate sponsors who will greatly benefit from the event, while aspiring local businesses will be left to watch from the sidelines.

City Council member Chris Riley recently worked out an agreement with F1 under which F1 will abide by Austin Energy Green Building Standards and "embrace aggressive recycling and composting practices," according to the Austin American-Statesman.

Though an environmentally friendly grand prix sounds like an oxymoron, Riley's agreement is an admirable attempt to protect the interests of Austinites amid a major public-relations push by supporters of the race. However, as admirable as it may be, such a move is simply a cover for the fact that this venue will greatly change the ethos of the city and have lasting effects on its environment.

The past record of F1 in the United States doesn't look good for Austin either. This is not the first city to be courted by the international Grand Prix. Cities such as Indianapolis, Phoenix and Detroit have been in this position before, and each has its own horror story about the event. For example, in 2005, a majority of racers in Indianapolis caused a fiasco after refusing to start the race over fears that they had bad tires, costing the city millions of dollars.

Also, Austin's business partner in this future endeavor, Formula 1 CEO Bernie Ecclestone, is not known for his tact or empathy in working with cities and locals trying to get in on the racing action. This year an event in the Middle Eastern country of Bahrain was canceled due to civil unrest, then later

rescheduled after the same civil unrest was silenced. Austin should not let dollar signs blind it to F1's questionable record on social issues and lack of corporate consciousness.

A main focus of the controversy surrounding the event is the city's attempts to get the state to cover the \$25 million fee needed simply for the privilege of hosting the event, a sum that will basically go directly to Ecclestone and his backers (coincidentally Ecclestone's 22-year-old daughter just spent \$85 million last week to add a Hollywood mansion to her collection of residences).

The crux of the matter is that F1 needs an American venue for its upcoming Grand Prix, but it doesn't really need Austin, and Austin doesn't really need F1. The city seems ready to step out into the world and join the ranks of other high-profile international cities, but Austin does not have to sell out to the highest bidder to do it.

Austin is already a vibrant city that is admired across the world for its business savvy, environmental consciousness and hip culture. There is enough here in town to get the world's attention without selling the city's soul.

At a time when the city and state are scrounging to fill the gaps in their budgets and are cutting education and social services, it is a shame that our leaders would so readily commit so much taxpayer money to foreign interests. If an F1 racetrack is what the city and state leadership decides Austin really wants, then for the sake of Austinites, it must be an event for the benefit of the whole city, not just for someone else's pocket book.

Fisch is a rhetoric and writing senior.

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Beau Armstrong, CEO of Stratus Properties Inc., addresses the media about the broken balcony panels Tuesday afternoon. Stratus, which built the \$300-million hotel, is replacing all the panels on the building. Initial speculation puts the cost of each new panel at \$1500.

Ryan Edwards | Daily Texan Staff

Safety measures to secure glass at W Hotel

Downtown streets were blocked after glass fell from the W Hotel Tuesday afternoon.

A balcony glass panel shattered and fell, breaking two other panels beneath it and landing in the hotel's closed pool area, according to a media statement from Beau Armstrong, CEO of Stratus Properties, which runs the hotel.

Police sergeant Keith Bazzle said they would make sure people did not walk in blocked streets for safety reasons.

"That's all we're going to do, [the glass breakage] is not a police-related issue," Bazzle said.

Samantha Park, spokeswoman

for city of Austin, said the city would help the parties responsible in whatever way they could.

"The city will ensure that it's managed correctly," Park said.

This was the third instance of glass falling from the W in three weeks, and the second within 24 hours, according to the Austin American-Statesman.

The first incident took place on June 10 and injured numerous guests, including UT student Susan Davis and her friend Prashanth Madi, who filed suit against the hotel. The Statesman reported that four people were injured in the incident.

In their suit, Davis and Madi sought to have the W implement safety measures such as covered sidewalks and restricted pedestrian access to affected areas to prevent any potentially fatal accidents.

The W implemented these precautions Tuesday so they could replace every balcony glass panel in the building, and the hotel will close until further notice, according to Armstrong's statement.

As of noon Wednesday, all current hotel guests were relocated to other hotels, and people who live in the building will have the choice to remain or relocate while repairs

take place, according to a second media statement from Armstrong.

"As of 3 p.m. this afternoon, three floors of glass panels on the north, south and east sides of the building were removed from the balcony frames and secured," Armstrong said in the statement.

The work will continue until all panels are removed. Investigations by experts have yet to yield an explanation.

— Diego Cruz

Powers speaks out against evaluations of UT administrators

By Huma Munir
Daily Texan Staff

A report by The Center of College Affordability and Productivity classifies high-level administrators as the least productive members of the University, according to a Texas Coalition for Excellence in Higher Education press release.

The coalition, which formed in June, came out with a statement Tuesday saying the center's analysis casts the University's senior officials in a negative light. The report used preliminary data released by the UT System in May and used it to propose solutions that would significantly undermine education, according to the press release.

"A number of people who have been involved in Texas with higher education like myself have examined what [these] proposals are, and we don't like it very much," said former UT president Peter Flawn, who serves on the executive committee of the coalition.

People who support this analysis are characterizing the value of education using numbers, statistics and percentages that do not capture the full quality of research and education at the University, Flawn said.

Richard Vedder is an Ohio University economics professor who authored the center's report. Vedder said President William Powers Jr.'s administrative salary is excessive at about \$1 million a year.

Powers earned \$746,738 last year, according to the Chronicle of Higher Education.

Vedder said Powers teaches one class a year and has a student interaction of about 100 hours. He said if professors taught more students per year, tuition could be reduced significantly. Powers and other senior officials represent only one percent of the faculty, and if you took them out, the analysis would remain the same, Vedder said.

"As a professor of 40 years, it seems to me that a person can do a good bit of research while still maintaining [a high] teaching load," he said.

Powers said he is not as well-paid as some of the other university presidents in the country. As president, he said he works about 80 hours a week.

"In most schools, presidents and deans do not teach at all," Powers said. "I teach my freshman seminar, [which] I am not required to do, but I think it's good for the curriculum."

Some people don't understand that increasing class sizes can be dire for students and their academic experience, he said.

Powers publicly criticized the Seven Breakthrough Solutions — written by Jeff Sandefer and endorsed by Gov. Rick Perry — in an op-ed published this month. Powers said he wants to continue a vigorous conversation about solutions to the challenges facing Texas higher education.

NEWS BRIEFLY

O'Donnell's statement refuted, clearing Chancellor Cigarroa

UT System Board of Regents Chairman Gene Powell refuted Rick O'Donnell's statement about Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa encouraging donors and alumni to oppose the Regents' efforts, according to a press release.

Last Friday, the System and O'Donnell reached a settlement of \$70,000, in which the former special adviser agreed not to sue the Regents over his dismissal. O'Donnell was hired in March but dismissed in April after controversy erupted over his views on higher education and were disputed by the UT

administration and groups like UT alumni network the Texas Exes.

After reaching the settlement, O'Donnell criticized University administrators, Cigarroa and Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, for their handling of the situation. He told the Austin American-Statesman on Monday that Cigarroa discouraged efforts to obtain the faculty productivity data and that officials were attempting to quell his right to free speech.

Powell said in the statement that Regents have a good relationship with Cigarroa and that the board fully supports his vision of advancing excellence in academics and research.

"The comments made by Rick O'Donnell in today's Austin Amer-

ican-Statesman with regard to his recollection of interactions with the leadership at the University of Texas System are unfortunate," Powell said in the press release. "At no time did Chancellor Cigarroa encourage donors and alumni to actively oppose efforts by the Board of Regents and Mr. O'Donnell to obtain various data. Furthermore, Chancellor Cigarroa did not encourage 'a brutal campaign' against specific members of the Board of Regents. The Board of Regents has an excellent relationship with Chancellor Cigarroa and fully supports his vision and commitment to advance excellence in education, research, patient care and service across the great University of Texas System."

— Huma Munir

Kansas abortion clinic files suit to keep option open for women

TOPEKA, Kan. — A Kansas abortion clinic that has been denied a state license has asked to join a federal lawsuit, hoping to overturn new state rules that could make the state the nation's first without an office or clinic terminating pregnancies.


Aid for Women, a clinic in Kansas City, Kan., filed a request Wednesday to intervene in a lawsuit filed by two doctors performing abortions at a separate office. The lawsuit is aimed at blocking a state licensing law and health department regulations that take effect Friday.

Kansas' third abortion provider, a Planned Parenthood affili-

ate, is waiting to hear whether it gets a license.

Supporters of the law say it protects patients from substandard care. Abortion-rights advocates contend that the department is unfairly rushing its regulations to stop providers from offering abortions.

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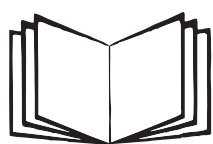
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Bill John of RJ Allen & Associates stains wood panelling for the interior of The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf on Wednesday. Currently, employees of BC Watts, the contracting team hired to rework the building's original shell, are setting up the utilities in preparation for mid-July openings.

Restaurants aim to open doors

The building on 24th and Guadalupe streets that formerly housed Follett's Intellectual Property bookstore will be home to The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf, Qdoba Mexican Grill and Noodles & Company this summer after construction is completed.

The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf will probably open for business the third week of July, said Anita Howard, controller and marketing director for Lone Star Bean, which operates

The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf franchises in Texas. The company collaborated with the other businesses sharing the space from the start to make better use of the building, Howard said.

"We're doing things like having shared bathrooms to make it where we're all not just operating independently, but approaching it as a team," she said.

Howard said the cafe's first floor corner location with an entrance

on each street will offer convenience to students, as will accepting Bevo Bucks.

David Lovey, an electrician working at the site, said the heat has affected the speed of construction.

"It's slowed us down quite a bit," Lovey said. "The guys get tired faster and have to stop for water [more frequently]."

— Will Alsdorf

Students gather in support of DREAM Act at US Senate

By Victoria Pagan
Daily Texan Staff

Undocumented students from around the nation sat before the Senate Judiciary Committee Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security Tuesday wearing caps and gowns to demonstrate their eagerness to graduate from college and attain citizenship.

It was the first time the Senate held a hearing on the Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors Act. The bill would allow immigrants who arrived in the U.S. as minors to gain conditional permanent residency after attending college or serving in the military for two years. About 250 undocumented students attended the hearing in D.C., including 13 from UT.

Senators Dick Durbin, D-Illinois, and Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, wrote and first introduced the bill in 2001.

In the 2003-04 session, it passed the Senate Judiciary Committee twice but was defeated both times. It was defeated again in 2006 and 2007.

In her written testimony for Tuesday's hearing, Janet Napolitano, secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, said it makes no sense to deport undocumented people who have known no other country than the U.S. and who have contributed to society.

"Passage of this bill is important for our country in many regards, including the ways that it would benefit our economy and our Armed Forces," Napolitano said. "The DREAM Act should be seen in the broader context of this administration's comprehensive approach to border security and immigration enforcement, which has achieved important and historic results."

Retired Army Lt. Col. Margaret Stock also testified at the hear-

ing. She said the DREAM Act will encourage undocumented residents of our country to serve in our Armed Forces.

"This hearing could not be more important or timely, because in the midst of an ongoing war that has pushed our nation's military to its limits, our country faces a demographic and social crisis with regard to immigration," Stock said. "The DREAM Act is part of a comprehensive and bipartisan solution to that crisis."

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, has said she supports the idea behind the DREAM Act, but said she would not support the version under consideration in 2010, which never went up for a vote. She could not be reached for comment about whether she would support it this session.

Undeclared freshman Walter Trejo attended the hearing as a member of the University Leadership Initiative, a student organization in support of the DREAM Act. He said hearing Durbin and others testifying helped him to feel hopeful the act would pass.

"The people testifying were giving basic facts about the Dream Act," Trejo said. "They said it's going to improve homeland security, the safety of our communities, help with deficits and will give social justice to people who came as minors so were not breaking the law."

Undocumented urban studies senior Raul Zamora wore his cap and gown to the hearing Tuesday and to a mock Education Not Deportation graduation in Washington on Wednesday.

He said he got to share his immigration story at the mock graduation before nearly 250 people. Zamora is facing deportation charges after a routine stop by UTPD led to his arrest. Officers discovered he had failed to pay a speeding ticket and took him to Travis County Jail where Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials learned he was undocumented and detained him.

"There was a lot of media and I got to meet Senator Durbin myself," Zamora said. "It feels different this time. The good thing is, Republicans kept trying to throw out negative numbers, but we always fought back."

Zamora said after the mock graduation, students circled the White House in a protest against deporting undocumented students that came to the country as minors.

"We wore our caps and gowns again and wore chains around our arms to show that they are deporting students that are making a difference," Zamora said. "Sen. Durbin was meeting with President Obama after the graduation, so I think good things are happening."

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SPECIAL SESSION

Legislative session finally ends following long debates



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The Texas House adjourned Wednesday after a 170-day-long session.

Lawmakers choose to blame others for process not moving smoothly

By William James Gerlich
Daily Texan Staff

Wednesday marked the close of the 82nd legislative special session rife with political posturing, finger pointing and headline-grabbing, values-based bills. In the process, senators and representatives passed a few bills that will impact all Texans.

During the special session, lawmakers passed budget bills, a controversial congressional redistricting map, health care policies and a reform of the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association. Bills such as the sanctuary cities bill and a Transportation Security Administration anti-groping bill failed, despite Gov. Rick Perry designating them both must-pass legislation.

It took 170 days for lawmakers to get their jobs done. The Senate adjourned Tuesday after passing the budget, and the House's last act Wednesday was failing to pass the anti-groping bill.

On the second to last day, House members also struggled to pass the general appropriates bill, nearly causing them to enter a second special session.

Protesters chanted "If congress won't do their job, we'll have to do it ourselves."

A blame game among representatives, senators and leadership began soon after the session was over as they tried to explain why they struggled during special session.

"The defeat of the [TSA bill] can only be laid at the feet of this state's leadership," said Rep. David Simpson, R-Longview.

He said the House not coming to work on time kept them from doing their jobs effectively.

Some Senators blamed the House for being stubborn on bills that could have been worked out and passed into law.

Sen. Dan Patrick, R-Houston, said the House and Speaker Joe Straus let bills die, and the House was not willing to negotiate on key pieces of legislation.

"The house turned things into a take-it-or-leave-it deal," Patrick said. "People should expect better out of their legislators. We have a constitutional duty to show up, and the House did not do that."

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst said the Senate passed everything it was supposed to, and he was proud of how well the senators dealt with business during the special session, but some representatives from the House claimed that it was the Senate's fault the House did not receive bills back in a timely manner.

Blame did not only come from both chambers, but also from Gov. Rick Perry, who said Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, was at fault for not allowing the must-pass sanctuary cities amendment into his bill.

"Duncan ultimately refused to allow language related to the ban of sanctuary cities into the final ver-

sion of Senate Bill 1," Perry said in a press release.

Duncan and fellow Republicans fired back at the governor and said it was inappropriate to include the sanctuary cities amendment in the budget legislation.

Representatives also blamed Perry for not personally being at the special session most of the time, claiming if he was, things would have moved along more smoothly.

The blame game between chambers and leadership didn't stop work from being done, and most Republican legislators expressed satisfaction with the work they accomplished.

Dewhurst said this was the largest shortfall state legislators ever had to deal with and was glad to see that the Rainy Day Fund was saved. They were able to balance the budget without raising taxes, and that they cut spending by over 8 percent.

School boards and officials protested on the side of Sen. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, early on during the special session in an attempt to prevent the \$4 billion in cuts from public school funding that passed.

During the session, Rep. Diane Patrick, R-Arlington, added a provision to the cuts which would allow the 83rd legislature to devise a new funding formula. In the version that failed during the regular session, the cuts to public schools would have been permanent.

"The provision added in the House is going to sunset the new funding formula for schools, and we will then hopefully reestablish the current funding for our schools," Davis said.



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Sen. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, launched the filibuster against the school finance bill that forced the special session, which ended Wednesday.

Closing thoughts on the 82nd Legislature

Editors note: As the 82nd legislative session wound down Tuesday and Wednesday, The Daily Texan's William James Gerlich collected final thoughts from legislators and leadership on the successes and failures of the session.

"This has been a tough session, and this has been the first time we have had such a large shortfall as we have. Every one of you, whether you were Republican or Democrat, worked your heart out for your districts and for your vision of Texas. When the people of Texas know what we've accomplished in tough times, they will be appreciative."

— Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst on his pride in legislators.

"Texans have been well-served by representatives who spend money cautiously during this special legislative session."

— Speaker of the House Joe Straus on the session's fiscal conservatism.

"The greatest enemy is not terrorists ... our greatest enemy is ourselves. The seeds of anarchy and tyranny reside in our own hearts."

— Rep. David Simpson, R-Longview, in a closing speech before the House on Wednesday.

"The difficulty of getting through and getting these major issues passed was what surprised me the most about this special session. They ended up in conference committees, and we eventually came up with good legislation."

— Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, about the challenge of getting bills passed.

"I don't regret [the filibuster] because it gave an opportunity for Texans to understand what was happening in public education school funding and the opportunity for them to weigh in on it. I think their weighing-in had an impact. When Donna Howard successfully added her amendment in the House side which would add \$2.2 billion from the Rainy Day Fund, it got a widespread reaction of support, but it was stripped, which saddened me. It's an unfortunate reflection of who [legislators] are listening to. I think in the long run there will be a reaction to that, so if there's a good thing that came out of this special session, I hope that it is that Texans paid attention and will hold accountable those who are elected to serve them that are not necessarily doing that."

— Sen. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, about her filibuster that forced the Legislature into a special session.

"Ultimately the measures we have worked together to complete this session will keep Texas a model of good, efficient and limited governance that other states and the federal government should follow."

— Gov. Rick Perry in a press release about the overall success of the session.

— William James Gerlich

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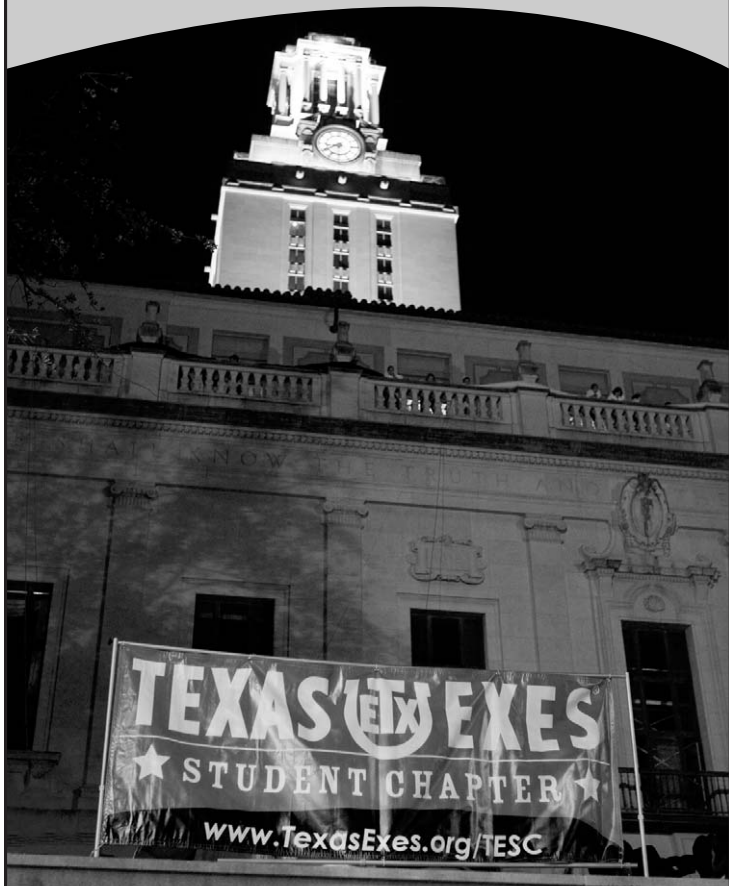
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Student Government hosts blood drive

Contributions from donors restore nation's bank supply, help tornado victims recover

By Diego Cruz
Daily Texan Staff

The recent Student Government blood drive could provide relief for more than 130 victims of this spring's deadly storms.

Tornadoes ravaged Tuscaloosa, Ala., in April and Joplin, Mo., in May, leaving dozens dead and many more injured. After the disasters, University-wide representative Yaman Desai authored a resolution in honor of the victims.

"We just wanted to give support and give them help whatever way we could, and we found out this was the best way we could do it," Desai said, regarding the blood drive which took place Tuesday and Wednesday.

He said it was a great way for students to help save lives and only takes about 40 minutes of their day. Nursing representative Jaclyn Rosenthal contacted the American Red Cross because she wanted the donations to have a national impact.

"Blood drives are a great way to help disaster-relief efforts because the national blood bank needs to be quickly replenished," she said.

The Red Cross provided the trailer and supplies needed for the drive with no cost to SG.

Jessica Amaro, donor recruitment representative of the American Red Cross, said contrary to misconceptions, anyone can donate as long as they are at least 17 years of age and in reasonably good health. Donors are tested by the Red Cross to determine their health status and avoid collecting blood that might contain harmful pathogens. Eligible donors' blood goes to a Red Cross laboratory in Dallas the morning after donation and is analyzed to determine whether the relief organization can



Erika Rich | Daily Texan Staff

Biology senior Kellen Burke donates blood on campus Wednesday afternoon as a part of a blood drive hosted by Student Government and administered by the American Red Cross. The drive, held Tuesday and Wednesday for victims of deadly spring storms, collected 46 units of blood, just four fewer than the goal of

use the blood.

Amaro said the blood collected here usually stays in Texas, but it can be shipped to other states in

will go to hospitals in Missouri, Alabama and Texas.

"When people think 'blood' they think immediate, but it's not always

Amaro said the Red Cross and SG hoped to collect 50 units during this drive, but she was satisfied with the 46 units it brought in. Each unit of blood can save about three lives.

History senior Eric Ramos said he has donated since he was 17 because his blood type is O negative. People with O negative are universal donors, so their blood will be used in cases where it is impossible to determine the blood type of an injured person.

"Whenever there's a blood drive on campus I stop by and donate," Ramos said. "It's just my way of helping out."

He said he donates about six to seven times a year but still hasn't gotten used to needles, and blood banks usually try to contact him because of his uncommon blood type.

Blood drives are a great way to help disaster-relief efforts because the national blood bank needs to be quickly replenished.

— Jaclyn Rosenthal, Student Government Nursing Representative

periods of critical shortage. She said although the disasters happened weeks ago, many victims suffered traumas that require multiple surgeries. The blood from the SG drive

immediate," Amaro said.

She said 10 to 15 percent of blood comes from high school students and colleges, which means a decrease during summer months.

Americans to challenge Israel's Gaza blockade, Perry calls for sanctions

By Chris Tomlinson
The Associated Press

Texas Gov. Rick Perry urged the U.S. attorney general to take action Wednesday against Americans who plan to take part in a pro-Palestinian protest by sailing to the Gaza Strip to challenge an Israeli naval blockade.

Perry wrote that he had information that American citizens were aboard two U.S.-flagged ships that plan to challenge the blockade on the Gaza Strip. He urged U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder to take legal steps to stop them from taking part, or to prosecute them if they make the attempt.

"The state of Israel is a friend and critical ally of the United States, and the only stable democracy in an increasingly unstable and hostile region," wrote Perry, a vocal supporter of Israel who is considering a run for president in 2012. "These initiatives to breach Israel's maritime blockade of the Gaza Strip is an unacceptable provocation."

Under federal law, anyone who "prepares a means for, or furnishes the money for, or takes part in, any military or naval expedition" against a friendly country can be fined or jailed for three years. Perry also suggested that Holder prosecute the protesters for providing materials or assistance to a terrorist organization.

Israel has enforced a Gaza border blockade since the Islamic militant group Hamas seized the territory in 2007. Last year, an Israeli raid on a similar flotilla killed nine activists on a Turkish vessel. Each side blamed the other for the violence.

Pro-Palestinian activists oper-

ating from Greece were preparing Wednesday to launch what are reported to be 10 ships carrying medical and construction supplies for Gaza sometime this week. Israeli Information Minister Yuli Edelstein called on organizers to deliver their cargo via an Israeli port, but the protesters rejected that option Wednesday.

Greece is the flotilla's base of operations, but activists won't disclose the exact location of the boats because of security concerns.

In his letter, Perry identified two of the ships as "The Audacity of Hope" and the "The Challenger II," both of which he said were registered in Delaware. Perry also wrote that the ships will depend on U.S.-based Inmarsat for communications and navigation, suggesting that the organization could be held responsible for the protesters' actions.

"I write to encourage you to aggressively pursue all available legal remedies to enjoin and prevent these illegal actions, and to prosecute any who may elect to engage in them in spite of your pre-emptive efforts," Perry wrote.

There was no immediate response from the Department of Justice. The State Department has warned Americans against participating in such a flotilla.

The Israeli consulate in Houston thanked Perry for his involvement.

"Israel appreciates Governor Perry's support and appreciates his bringing this to the U.S. Attorney General's attention," wrote Eric Cohn, the academic affairs officer at the consulate.

Student clubs vie for funds of SG board

By Victoria Pagan
Daily Texan Staff

Fourteen student organizations competed against each other last month for funds from the new Student Government summer finance committee.

Student Government officials allocated \$4225 overall to 14 student organizations June 10 in various increments based on how much the organizations were asking for, what they planned to use it for and how the summer finance committee felt the money should be spent said Taylor Pousson, SG associate director for appropriations.

"We tell them on the application that there are certain things Student Government can not fund such as food and drinks," Pousson said. "They list their top three preferences of what they want to spend the money on, and we decide from there."

Pousson said in most cases, organizations received funding for all three of their listed projects instead of only one reason such as in the past. He said in order for the organizations to receive the funds they were interviewed by SG officials.

Student Government internal financial director Ilse Quijano said after organizations were notified that they would receive SG funding they attended a mandatory workshop to show them how to spend it. She said they must also go through an accounting clerk in the Office of the Dean of Students in order to spend any money.

Quijano said the fourteen organizations that applied for the money requested a total of \$8646.42. She said the SG executive board submits a suggested amount for allocation to the summer finance committee, and after comparing the two numbers, the committee decided to allocate \$4225.

"The Hispanic Student Association requested money for a diabetes awareness week, and they received \$550," Quijano said. "They will be spending that money on flyers, pedometers and glucose checkers. Another organization who received our funding was the African American Affairs Organizations that received funding for their annual meet-and-greet retreat with freshmen and transfer students."

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BIG 12 CONFERENCE REALIGNMENT

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Friday marks the official change of the Big 12 conference as Nebraska and Colorado move on

Here's a look back

By Sara Beth Purdy
Daily Texan Staff

The world is ending on July 1. Not really, but the world of college sports will be different. Come July, Colorado and Nebraska will no longer be part of the Big 12 Conference. Colorado is heading to the newly renamed Pac-12, while Nebraska is going to the Big Ten.

Last summer, the Big 12 faced extinction as the powerhouse schools looked for membership elsewhere. Many believed that the end of the Big 12 was inevitable until several schools, including Texas, rejected other offers.

The conference began competition in August of 1996. Texas, Texas A&M, Texas Tech and Baylor accepted invitations to join the Big 8 in order to escape the downfall of the Southwest Conference, which was in turmoil as Southern Methodist University was handed the NCAA's death penalty for recruiting violations in 1987. This caused the SWC many financial problems and ruined its reputation.

Since its inception, the Big 12 has remained unchanged in its



Caleb Miller | Daily Texan file photo

Colt McCoy leaves a pair of Nebraska defenders behind during Texas' 28-25 win over the Cornhuskers in 2007. Nebraska will join the Big 10 on July 1.

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Horns, Cornhuskers waged gridiron war for 15 heated years

By Nick Cremona
Daily Texan Staff

The paperwork is filed, the good-byes have been said and the Big 12 will now move on without two of its northern mates. But for the Nebraska football program, one second of one game will forever haunt them.

It was the night of December 5, 2009, and the annual Big 12 Championship was set to take place in Dallas. The meeting would feature No. 3 Texas and a 14th-ranked Nebraska team that would prove its mettle throughout the course of the game. It was also a rematch of the first ever conference championship game, a 37-27 Texas win in 1996.

Unable to attend the game due to impending exams and an overall lack of funds, my four friends and I decided to watch the game at Hooters. On the San Antonio River Walk, this Hooters had a surprising contingent of Huskers fans on hand. Over the course of the game,

verbal blows were exchanged with these fans, and the tension in the establishment was palpable.

Until the final quarter, the game was fairly uneventful. Except for a couple of explosive plays, the game had begun to wear on, and miscues were the theme for the night. Nebraska's Ndamukong Suh was a menace to the Longhorn backfield the entire game, and Colt McCoy was having trouble finding any place to make plays. The Huskers had their share of problems as well, switching quarterbacks from Zac Lee to Cody Green, both of whom proved ineffective.

As the fourth quarter wore on, the teams exchanged possessions by way of turnover, and it was clear that the game would be decided within the last few minutes. Little did everyone know that it would actually be a much smaller interval of time. Try one second.

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Andrew Loehman | Daily Texan file photo

Texas linebacker Marcus Wilkins (56) consoles free safety Ahmad Brooks as the two leave Texas Stadium following the Longhorns' 39-37 loss to Colorado in the 2001 Big 12 Championship.

Texas split championships with CU

By Christian Corona
Daily Texan Staff

The last time Texas won a national championship, they beat Colorado by 67 along the way. But four years before that, it was the Buffaloes that came out on top and denied the Longhorns a chance at the title.

Despite a 14-3 loss to Oklahoma earlier that season, Texas found itself in an extremely advantageous position. All the Longhorns had to do to reach the national title game was beat No. 9 Colorado, a team they demolished, 41-7, just five weeks ago. But the Buffaloes stunned them, 39-37, to clinch a BCS berth of their own.

Quarterback Chris Simms tossed three touchdowns in the 34-point regular season win over Colorado, but threw three interceptions in the postseason rematch. Cedric Benson put Tex-

as up 7-0 with a five-yard touchdown run, only to see Simms' miscues erase his team's momentum and lead. Colorado led 36-17 at one point, but senior signal-caller Major Applewhite, who replaced Simms in the sec-

ing 15-play, seven-minute drive with a crucial field goal to make it 39-30. Applewhite's second touchdown, a one-yarder to B.J. Johnson, was followed by Colorado recovering an onside kick, shutting the door on Tex-

“50 years from now, when I'm sitting around with my kids and grandkids watching this, this night will look every bit as good as it does right now.”

— DeAndre Fluellen,
former Colorado defensive lineman

ond quarter, nearly brought Texas all the way back.

Rod Babers' 54-yard interception return on a Colorado fake punt made the score 36-30, but Colorado capped off the ensu-

as' comeback and national title hopes.

“50 years from now, when I'm sitting around with my kids and

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SPORTS BRIEFLY

Texas picks up another commit for strong 2012 football class

Nick Jordan gave the Longhorns their 18th football commitment for the 2012 recruiting class Monday. The placekicker from Coppell High School spoke on the phone with Texas head coach Mack Brown and accepted the scholarship offer.

“It feels great,” Jordan said. “There's been more support than I could have even imagined.”

Texas has developed a pattern of offering scholarships to kickers every other year, starting with Hunter Lawrence in 2006 and continuing with Justin Tucker and William Russ. Jordan, a top-ranked kicker, sees himself as a kickoff specialist.

“I feel like I can crush the ball,” he said.

— Trey Scott

Ellsbury closing in on Hamilton in 2011 MLB All-Star voting

Broken arm? No problem. Jacoby Ellsbury? Now that's a different story. Josh Hamilton has held his ground as the third-highest vote-getter among American League outfielders, but Ellsbury is making a move. Hamilton, who broke his right arm April 12, holds a 3,173,000 - 3,051,675 lead over Ellsbury, but two weeks ago, the margin between the two was nearly three times as wide. Voting ends tonight at 10:59 p.m.

— Christian Corona



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Teammates swarm kicker Hunter Lawrence after making the game-winning, 46-yard field goal to beat Nebraska for the 2009 Big 12 Title.



CLASS OF THE CONFERENCE

Since play began in 1996, the Big 12 has had four Heisman Trophy winners, three Naismith Award winners, 477 individual NCAA Champions, a World Champion skier, a 6-foot-8 women's basketball player who can dunk and the best collegiate wrestler ever. The Daily Texan selected each school's best athlete since the conference's inception. Trust us, it wasn't easy.



BAYLOR

Brittney Griner
Women's basketball, 2009-present



COLORADO

Jeremy Bloom
Football & Skiing, 2002-03



IOWA STATE

Cael Sanderson
Wrestling, 1999-2002



KANSAS

Paul Pierce
Men's basketball, 1996-98



KANSAS STATE

Michael Beasley
Men's basketball, 2007-08



MISSOURI

Brad Smith
Football, 2002-05



NEBRASKA

Eric Crouch
Football, 1998-01



OKLAHOMA

Adrian Peterson
Football, 2004-06



OKLAHOMA STATE

Rickie Fowler
Golf, 2007-09



TEXAS A&M

Dat Nguyen
Football, 1995-98



TEXAS TECH

Michael Crabtree
Football, 2007-08



TEXAS

Vince Young
Football, 2003-05

It was fun while it lasted, but it is time to move on



By **Trey Scott**
Daily Texan Columnist

As it is with any doomed relationship, the ending of the Big 12 has been rocky, beginning with last summer's disbanding and the culmination of ill will between schools staying and schools leaving. There are some fond moments to look back upon, sure, but both sides are better off with this breakup.

It all began with a bang in 1996, when Texas took down Nebraska in the inaugural Big 12 Championship. Throughout the years, that story line would repeat itself: the Longhorns snapped the Huskers' winning streak in Lincoln in 1998, climbed out with a 3-point win in 2002, won in dramatic and controversial fashion in 2009, and turned in one last win — one of five that year — in Lincoln in 2010.

Against Colorado over all the years, in all sports, there are two games that stick out.

In 2001, the two played in Dallas for the Big 12 Championship. A Texas win would mean a date with Miami in the Orange Bowl for the National Championship. I was there as the Longhorns won 41-7 earlier that season in Austin, and brought my ticket stub to the game-watching party for good luck.

As Chris Simms threw interception after interception after interception and Colorado's lead over Texas grew wider and wider, I frantically rubbed my talisman, hoping to draw some good fortune.

By the end of the night, a 39-37 loss, that ticket stub was torn to shreds.

But of course four years later, Texas pasted the Buffaloes 70-3 on its way to a national championship.

Not too much will be missed though from the departure of Colorado and Nebraska. The volleyball rivalry between Nebraska and Texas was a good one, as the two schools fought each year for best in the conference. Your granddad should miss the Oklahoma-Nebraska rivalry in

football and local media will miss trips to scenic Boulder and a cool football environment in Lincoln. In terms of lamenting the loss of these two schools, that's about it.

Revenue sharing within the conference was easier once Nebraska decided to go. Big 12 Commissioner Dan Beebe said that when it was in the conference, the school officials "were the most adamant" in opposition of changing bylaws. And now with two less schools, the conference can ditch the round-robin scheduling format and all 10 schools can face off every year in football, and twice a year in basketball.

You can say goodbye to that awful conference championship game as well. It was generally low on excitement — save for a few Texas-Nebraska matches — and hardly ever beneficial to the better team. No longer will superior Big 12 South teams have to risk a championship season to an inferior team; no longer will the Big 12 have to risk losing a national championship appearance because Kansas State could upset Oklahoma (2003).

The loss of Nebraska waters down some of the football competition, but not too much. The last time the Huskers won a conference championship in football was in 1999, anyway.

As for basketball, as long as Kansas and its juggernaut hoops team remains in the Big 12, the conference will always be a prestigious one.

One last thing: The relationship between Texas and Nebraska had gotten downright ugly. At a sports bar last week in Omaha, I was called "devil worshipper" by a group of Cornhuskers upon mentioning that I attended UT. At the College World Series, the Longhorns were booed viciously by the Nebraskans. That's what so many years of animosity will do to you.

It will be weird not to see the Cornhuskers or Buffaloes on Texas' future docket, as there have been a handful of memorable battles with each school. But, given the circumstances, it's best for each side to go their own separate ways.

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BEST BIG 12 MOMENTS

By Sameer Bhuchar

I Young leads Texas over USC Jan. 4, 2006

Vince Young threw for 267 yards and ran for another 200 yards and three touchdowns, including an 8-yard game winner with 19 seconds left. His virtuoso performance in the Rose Bowl capped off a dominant season for Texas football.

II Super Mario shoots Kansas past Memphis April 7, 2008

In the 2008 national title game, Mario Chalmers' Kansas Jayhawks squared up against Derrick Rose and Memphis in San Antonio. Kansas erased a nine-point deficit in the last two minutes of regulation as Chalmers knocked down a three-pointer to force overtime. The Jayhawks triumphed, 75-68, to win their first national title in 20 years.

III Hunter Lawrence saves Texas' season Dec. 5, 2009

In what looked like a game Nebraska had wrapped up with its stellar defense, Texas kicker Hunter Lawrence hit a dramatic, game-winning 46-yard field goal with one second left. Texas nearly squandered the opportunity to even attempt the field goal as Colt McCoy barely threw the ball away to stop the clock.

IV Crabtree catches game-winning, season-changing touchdown Nov. 1, 2008

The No. 1 Texas Longhorns had eight seconds to protect a 33-32 lead over the Texas Tech Red Raiders in 2008. But in what was his most memorable collegiate play, Michael Crabtree caught an 18-yard pass near the sideline and ran past Earl Thomas and Curtis Brown to score, leaving the Longhorns heartbroken.

V It's a bird, it's a plane, it's Roy Williams Oct. 6, 2001

In what has been called the "Superman Blitz" Oklahoma's Roy Williams literally leaped over Texas' offensive line like the superhero, forcing Texas quarterback Chris Simms to throw a game losing pick-six. The 14-3 loss marked the beginning of a five-year Red River Rivalry losing streak for Texas.

VI Texas A&M wins first basketball title April 5, 2011

Danielle Adams scored 22 of her 30 points in a dominating second half over Notre Dame to help the Aggies bring their first title to the former all-male military academy.

VII Kansas beats Kevin Durant, Longhorns to win Big 12 title March 11, 2007

Of the many epic match-ups between the Texas Longhorn and Kansas Jayhawk basketball teams, this was likely the most memorable. The Jayhawks stormed back from a huge halftime deficit to beat Kevin Durant's Longhorns for the Big 12 title.

VIII Texas A&M upsets No. 1 Kansas State 36-33 in double OT in Big 12 title game Dec. 5, 1998

Down 27-12 in the fourth-quarter, Aggie running back Sirr Parker scored 14 points on a pair of touchdown catches and a two-point conversion, rallying the Aggies to a 24-point surge in the final 9 minutes and 20 seconds of regulation and in 2OT periods.

IX Durant drops 30 over Texas A&M in final home game Feb. 28, 2007

The 2007 Big 12 basketball season was full of thrillers, and this shootout between Texas and Texas A&M was no exception. Kevin Durant and Acie Law, duked it out for four back-and-forth quarters and two overtimes before the Longhorn eeked out a 98-96 victory.

X Cael Sanderson pins down wrestling record 1999-2002

Cael Sanderson from Iowa State went undefeated all four years of college wrestling (159-0), making him the only wrestler in NCAA Division I history to go undefeated with more than 100 wins. He won four consecutive NCAA titles from 1999 to 2002.

XI Wheelless' walk-off lifts Texas over Baylor in Omaha June 23, 2005

Tied 3-3 in the ninth, Texas head baseball coach Augie Garrido sent Chance Wheelless in the game to pinch-hit against Baylor. Sporting a hurt shoulder, Wheelless hit a home run to give send Texas to the CWS Finals, which it won in two games against Florida.

XII Mike Gundy is the Man Sept. 22, 2007

In his address to the media after a victory against Texas Tech, Oklahoma State head football coach Mike Gundy launched a three-minute tirade against a reporter for allegedly belittling Cowboy quarterback Bobby Reid, and told her to get mad at him instead because he's "a man."

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In the Longhorns' final possession, they were finally able to move the ball toward the Huskers' goal line. Positioned on the 29 yard line of Nebraska, Texas lined up for one more shot at the end zone, with seven seconds left on the clock. The ball was snapped to McCoy, and there were no receivers open as he rolled out of the pocket. For the Texas fans at Hooters, panic set in.

"Throw it away!" we screamed. "Get out of bounds!"

Those final seconds seemed to last an eternity, but McCoy somehow released a sailing throw out of bounds just before getting hammered by a charging Suh. The clock read 0:01 but many on the field and stands alike thought the game was over.

After several minutes of review by the officiating crew, it was determined that there was in fact one second left on the game clock, and Texas would have the ball on fourth down with one final shot to put the Huskers away.

Hunter Lawrence came trotting on the field after warming up during the Longhorns' final drive. Nebraska tried its hardest to eke out one more victory, icing Lawrence with a timeout before the kick. The tactic didn't do much to faze Lawrence, as he then put the kick through the uprights to seal the win for Texas.

Cheers erupted across the restaurant from the Texas fans, and despair was visible on the faces of the Nebraska faithful. After a whirlwind of emotions had overcome our group, we were approached by the waitstaff with a microphone. We were offered to lead the restaurant in the singing of "The Eyes of Texas," and we anxiously accepted the offer. During our rendition of the song we noticed many of the Nebraska fans filing out of the restaurant or drowning their sorrow in pitchers of beer. After the song was finished, we talked with fans from both sides about the last play and the controversy surrounding it. Not everyone agreed on the officials' call, but there was one thing everyone could agree on: It was one hell of a game.

Moments like that will be missed with the departure of Nebraska. Only time will tell whether Texas and Nebraska will play against each other again, but this game will always live on as one of the best to take place in the conference. And for that, we thank you, Nebraska.

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grandkids watching this, this night will look every bit as good as it does right now," said Colorado defensive lineman DeAndre Fluellen after the game. "It's better than I ever could have imagined."

It was incredible that Texas and Colorado even met in the conference championship game. For the Longhorns to get there, Oklahoma State had to upset Oklahoma, 16-13. For the Buffaloes to get there, they had to knock out No. 1 Nebraska, 62-36. And hours before the Big 12 Championship, No. 5 Tennessee beat No. 2 Florida, 34-32, to clear the way for Texas to take their place in the national title game.

But Texas never took that place. Whether or not Texas could have beaten Miami, who crushed Nebraska in the title game, 37-14, is anybody's guess. The Hurricanes were stacked — they had six first-team All-Americans, 13 first-team All-ACC selections and six first-round picks in that year's NFL

Draft.

Simms was condemned by many Texas followers who used this game as the catalyst for what they considered an under-achieving college career. Naturally, Applewhite apologists used it (and his subsequent 473-yard, four-touchdown performance in the Longhorns' 47-43 Holiday Bowl victory over Washington) as the catalyst of what they considered to be Applewhite's overachieving career.

The next month, a highly prized quarterback from Houston, Vince Young, committed to Texas. Young would eventually exorcise the demons from 2001, leading the Longhorns to 42-17 and 70-3 victories over Colorado during the 2005 championship campaign. Part of what made that title so special was that it had been 35 years since their last championship. It could have been only four years between championships had the 2001 Big 12 Championship played out differently.

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membership. Even though the Big 12 is technically an extension of the former Big 8, it was begun as a brand new conference void of all Big 8 history.

The new Big 12 has already been to the boardroom to make several financial changes. Starting in 2012, FOX will have second-tier broadcasting rights to all televised conference games.

In addition, 76 percent of the conference's television revenue from football and basketball games will be split evenly among all the schools. This is up from the previous amount of 56 percent.

"We're dealing with a lot more revenue, so everybody feels good about the contract and giving us the flexibility and resources to be more competitive," said Missouri Chancellor Brady Deaton, chairman of the Big 12 board of directors at the Big 12 spring meetings.

Other non-financial changes will also take effect this season. The Big 12 will offer championships in rowing and equestrian sports, but Texas will only compete in rowing.

Even though there will be only 10 schools, the Big 12 leadership has decided at this time to keep its name. Commissioner Dan Beebe accredits this decision to national familiarity with the schools involved.

"The Big 12 is the name on the banner under which we have competed, under which we've won national championships," Beebe said at the Big 12 spring meetings.

With the addition of Nebraska, the Big Ten will also keep its name.

Ironically, on July 1 the Big Ten will have 12 teams and the Big 12 will have 10 teams. It's odd, but college football will go on.

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**By Julie Rene Tran
& Aleksander Chen**
Daily Texan Staff

The Daily Texan spoke with the band during Basement Tapes about their upcoming tour, inspiration behind *Last Looks* and the ideal world of music.

Jared Boulanger: I guess we're gonna have a tour meeting in the coming week and talk about everyone's expectations of the tour.

JB: Yes, no farting in the van, which actually, someone in the band has a problem with. And also the shower thing. After you play a show and you get paid and out of the venue at 2 a.m., there's not time for eight people to take showers and go to bed, so half of the band is going to take showers at night and half of the band is going to take showers in the morning.

JB: *Last Looks* is a scene from “Kill Bill: Vol. 2” where David Carradine is seeing Uma Thurman at their wedding dress rehearsal and she goes outside and she sees him sitting down

DT: In your perfect world, what would music be like and what would artists do?



JB: As this album was coming about, garage rock was really getting a lot of attention. Garage rock and I guess you would call it chill wave. Those two genres were skyrocketing to the top. And there are a lot of bands that I like that are really spaced out and ethereal, with girl vocals that are drowned in re-verbs and there's just only synths and drum machines and I like that stuff. One of my favorite albums from last year was that Beach House album *Teen Dream* and I think that album was amazing — but I wouldn't consider it chill wave or anything.

JB: I would say the lyrics on that song ... even the opening line, "How quickly you confuse the thought," that's sort of me talking to a listener of music and being like, "You don't know what you're listening to, you're confused." Like, you are like,

“Yeah! This is great,” but you haven’t asked yourself why it’s great. That song starts like that, with a little bit of hatred, and then ends with “this lonely little life is all you really deserve.”

JB: I guess most of the lyrics came from when I was unemployed and had nothing to do. I couldn't find a job for six months. As I was writing these lyrics I kind of had nothing to do but wake up and do that. I just sat around a lot and watched movies and it came to me.

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By **DAVID**
OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally, even backward. Find them and **CIRCLE THEIR LETTERS ONLY. DO NOT CIRCLE THE WORD.** The leftover letters spell the Wonderword.

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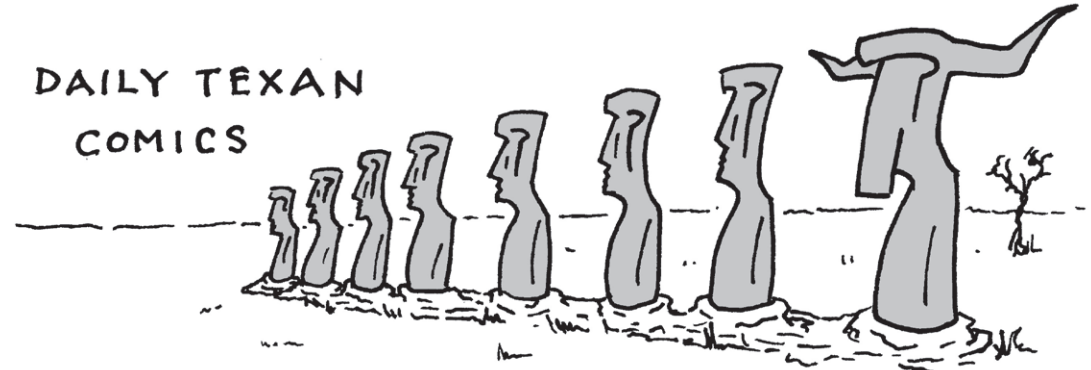
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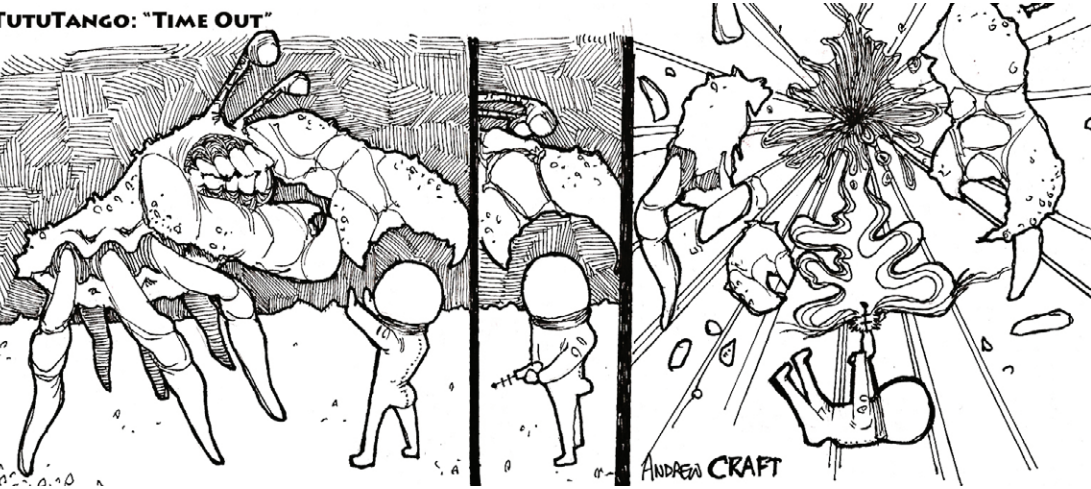


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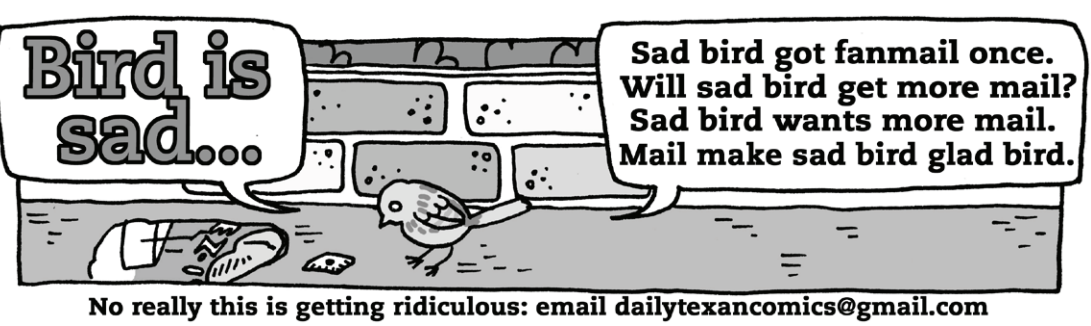
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Across

- 1 Coll. major
- 4 "___ is life"
- 8 See 28-Across
- 14 King of wrap?
- 16 Developing agent in photography
- 17 It's celebrated for 30 days each year beginning September 15
- 19 Plus
- 20 ___ moth
- 21 "Take my word for it"
- 28 With 8-Across, Sonia Sotomayor, self-professedly
- 31 Is down with
- 32 "___ it up and spit it out" ("My Way" lyric)
- 33 "___ du lieber!"
- 34 Stickle
- 36 There are 843 of these in Central Park
- 37 2.0
- 38 Matching towel set ... with a hint to this puzzle's theme
- 40 Much Apr. mail is addressed to it
- 41 Really big
- 43 Conrad of old films
- 44 It might be casual: Abbr.
- 45 Weekly Comedy Central host
- 46 Nice view
- 47 Miles off
- 48 Foiled bites?
- 53 Part of a bell tower
- 54 Looped vase handles
- 58 Newsmakers of 1903
- 64 Imitate
- 65 Yarn
- 66 Features of hedgehogs
- 67 Company leaders: Abbr.
- 68 Barolo or Marsala

Down

- 1 ___-Altenburg (former German duchy)
- 2 Black
- 3 Cook, e.g.: Abbr.
- 4 School locator?
- 5 Cycle starter
- 6 SARS monitor, for short
- 7 "Fat chance!"
- 8 Lash of westerns
- 9 Part of PABA
- 10 Really big
- 11 Moscow's home: Abbr.
- 12 Yule quaff
- 13 Sierra Nevada, for one
- 15 Bistro offering
- 18 Slippery ___
- 22 Alfred who wrote "Driving Miss Daisy"
- 23 Astronomy figure
- 24 Seaquake sequel
- 25 Duty
- 26 Nissan S.U.V.
- 27 Private aye?
- 28 Baylor U. locale
- 29 Cooler
- 30 "Oh, man"
- 34 Can
- 35 Lips
- 36 ___ Rose
- 39 Gen ___ (thirty-somethings)
- 42 Williams's paint partner
- 47 Often ___
- 49 Radiohead frontman Thom
- 50 Fears of some paranoiacs
- 51 Powder site
- 52 Court figures
- 55 Astronomy figure
- 56 Turning point
- 57 Deleted
- 58 Parts of bowls, for short
- 59 Quaint school event
- 60 "The Book of ___"
- 61 Seaside ___, N.J.
- 62 Handle
- 63 Luncheonette order

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THIRSTY THURSDAY

Alcohol brings cash, brews state support for political leaders

By Gerald Rich
Daily Texan Staff

The weekly drink column “Thirsty Thursday” is back, but before we bust out the champagne, let’s grab a stiff drink and be honest.

Over the past year, I’ve written historical and scientific anecdotes on everything from Ernest Hemingway’s drinking habits to brewing moonshine. But there’s been one nagging, omnipresent story that’s been neglected: alcohol is in the blood of Texas’ economy. It flows through dozens of counties and supports our entire infrastructure.

In a less metaphorical sense, beer contributes over \$19 billion to our economy and generates more than 146,000 jobs, according to a recent study by The National Beer Wholesalers Association and The Beer Institute.

Add in The Texas Tribune’s tabulation from a mid-February article that said special inter-

est beer groups have given legislators and Gov. Rick Perry a total of \$2.5 million in campaign contributions since 2001, and there’s no denying that alcohol is in Texas’ blood.

But that’s just economics and politics. In terms of measurable booze, the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission tallied up that Texans drank a combined total of 59,076,410 gallons of alcohol in the month of May. That’s roughly 2.32 gallons for every man, woman and child (figuratively speaking), making it one of the most widely distributed and decriminalized intoxicating substances.

So for the summer, instead of following the money, we’re going to follow the alcohol with “Thirsty Thursday Investigates.” The Daily Texan’s new bi-monthly articles and mini-documentaries on Texas’ alcohol network will be kicking off our first series on underage drinking with the fake ID market.

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Allen Otto | Daily Texan Staff

In five years of selling fireworks, Sean McMahon has never had to shut down his stand. Travis County last banned the sale of fireworks in December 2004.

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going to shut down anyway,” said Sean McMahon, who operates a fireworks stand in Webberville. “I live in a farming community, and I wouldn’t want somebody shooting fireworks next to my house with the woods as dry as they are.”

McMahon opened Big Bang Fireworks five years ago and said this is the first time he hasn’t been permitted to sell fireworks. Travis County last banned the sale of fireworks in December 2004.

“Almost every season that I’ve been open they’ve banned rockets with sticks and missiles with fins, so that’s pretty much standard,” McMahon said. “It’s just too dry here. But this is the first time I’ve ever been shut down.”

McMahon is a construction superintendent and project manager

and he considers his Big Bang Fireworks profits “supplemental income” that he can get by without. But other Travis County fireworks dealers rely more on their fireworks vending, and they’ve had to adjust accordingly.

“We’re having to cut back on our spending, which is usually not a big deal for us,” said Melissa Cooper, who operates an American Fireworks stand with her family in Del Valle. “I mean, like any family, we struggle, but we still go on vacation during the summer and do extra spending. But this year we’re not going on vacation and we’re not going to go get stuff just because we want it. We’re cutting back and saving money.”

In Texas, the sale of fireworks is permitted twice a year: in the summer from June 24 to July 4 and in the winter from Dec. 20 to Jan. 1. Although, the fireworks seasons are important to people such as the Cooper family who depend on them for income and to people who just enjoy shooting them on holidays, Cooper said she understands why this summer’s season had to be cancelled.

“I plan everything around the fireworks seasons,” Cooper said. “It’s going to be a lot different this year. A lot of our longtime customers were upset and I told them ‘You know, if not selling fireworks saves someone’s house or doesn’t cause a tragedy for someone or doesn’t cause irreplaceable damage, I can live with that. I live two miles away from my stand and I get so scared every year. I tell people ‘I don’t mind y’all popping fireworks, just don’t burn my house down.’ They all laugh and say ‘We’ll put your house out if we catch it on fire.’ Not this year, I don’t think.”

In addition to the financial loss, Travis County fireworks vendors are missing out on other the joys that come with the season. Tom Hancock, a retired baseball coach who sells fireworks in Dripping Springs, said his customers make the job exceptional.

“We have a lot of repeat customers,” Hancock said. “I look forward to getting to see the same people over and over again, every year, and developing relationships with those people. I have a lot of my ex-ball players who always come back. It’s a chance to visit

with them and see how they’re doing in their life. We don’t do it just for the money — obviously that’s important, you know — but we do it because we enjoy the people and the fireworks.”

Dan Turner, who works for the Texas Legislative Council and has lived in Texas most of his life, said that he usually buys about \$500 worth of fireworks every Fourth of July to shoot off with his family and that he can’t remember an Independence Day where they went without. Turner considers the ban a let down, but acknowledged the reasons behind it are sound and there might even be some good that comes with the restrictions.

“I guess it’ll be dark, but you know what, maybe the horses won’t be going nuts,” Turner said. “There’s good and bad things. It’s definitely the right thing to do. You can’t burn up somebody’s property to have a light show.”

Agitated livestock or not, Thomas Brownson, who operates Half Off Fireworks on Highway 290 West, perhaps summed the situation up best.

“I just wish we could sell fireworks,” he said.



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transforming majestic creatures of the South Hemisphere into piano keyboards.

And in “The Heming Way,” Beckerman’s suggestions for becoming a real man include sporting a beard because “peach fuzz won’t save you from pneumonia” and hunting for one’s own meat, because Hemingway’s “grocery store was the great outdoors.”

While Beckerman said the manliest thing for a man is doing whatever the hell he wants, there’s that conflicting notion where Beckerman said he doesn’t think a man can respect himself if he’s doing yoga or Pilates.

“I just don’t think that’s the kind of masculinity we can really feel good about,” he said.

He added that today, men are also really afraid of death. Men used to think there were worse things than death, Beckerman said.

The topic of emasculation in American men was something Beckerman said he had wanted to write about for years and years. The idea of the parody popped in his head one day, and surprisingly, after Googling the idea on the Internet to see if it had already been done, he said he couldn’t believe no one had written a parody about emasculation based on Hemingway.

Like most American teenagers, Beckerman first read the author’s most renowned novel, “A Farewell to Arms,” in high school. And like most teenagers, he read it, but it didn’t quite seep through.

“In the ‘90s and in peacetime in suburban America, a novel about being on the frontline and in the trenches and running off with a woman, it just didn’t apply to my life at all,” Beckerman said.

When Beckerman came back to the novel for part of his research for “The Heming Way” themes, such as the grim reality of war and loyalty, they made a lot more sense to him, he said.

“It’s more [relevant] probably when you get older and you start coming into manhood,” he said. “Entering the adult world and dealing with these adult challenges and seeing what it means to be a man in the world today kind of makes you want to go back to Hemingway.”

Beckerman read all of Hemingway’s short stories and major novels, as well as 15 biographies because, to do a parody well, the writer has to know his or her subject inside and out he said.

“So for a relatively short humor book, a hell of a lot of research went into it,” he said.

He wanted to make an appeal to those who haven’t read much of Hemingway, he said, but he didn’t want to disappoint the hard-core fans either.

“Even though my book is a joke, I hope it inspires people to read the real stuff,” he said.

Though some may not have

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Marty Beckerman

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read Hemingway classics such as “A Farewell to Arms,” “For Whom the Bell Tolls” and “The Old Man and the Sea” Beckerman said, most are familiar with “the over-the-top, drunken, animal-slaughtering, jumping-in-to-war-head-first-again-and-again, munching-on-a bullet-sandwich, crazy man” persona of the author.

If anything, they are at least familiar with the cocktails named after the author, such as the Hemingway mojito and daiquiri.

“Everyone knows the persona,” Beckerman said. And to best sum it up, “Ernest Hemingway’s best-invented fictional character was Ernest Hemingway.”

“That character, that persona had outlasted his books,” he said, quoting the book’s epitaph from Dr. Matthew J. Bruccoli. “And I actually think he would have been okay with that.”

To Beckerman, Hemingway was like the William Shatner of his time — a ubiquitous entertainer. People knew him as a great writer, but he was also a great fisherman and a great hunter.

“And I’m not completely sure Hemingway considered himself a writer above all else. He considered himself as much of a bullfighter and an aficionado as he did a fisher, a hunter or any of these other things,” he said. “He wanted to be champion of the world.”



Emilia Harris | Daily Texan Staff

Brynn Roule (right) incorporates a challenging upside down technique into her routine during the freestyle pole dancing portion of the class.

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after that and I was just like ‘this is it’ — I was hooked.”

Route was drawn to the fusion of dance and gymnastics and the ability to self-express and showcase athleticism — aspects of pole dancing a lot of people often overlook. Many people have preconceived notions about the sexuality and connotative value of pole dancing, she said.

“It can be a very empowering thing, but it can also be a very exploitative thing,” Route said.

Although students take the class for a range of reasons, such as impressing their lovers and strengthening their flexibility, most attend for the fitness benefits. Students utilize all of their muscles simultaneously as they climb and dance around on the pole. All of the exaggerated movements increase body coordination and flexibility, advanced student Irela Casanova said. And

once dance moves are added in, she said there is also a cardio element.

Tan has lost two dress sizes since she started taking pole dancing classes less than a year ago.

“Every year you start telling yourself you have to get ready for bathing suit season — and it usually never happens,” Tan said. “But this year it came around and I was already there.”

Even though Tan has had a positive experience at Brass Ovaries, she said she admits that she intentionally withholds the information from some people because she doesn’t feel they will understand it.

“I tell my mom, I tell other women — sometimes,” Tan said. While hesitant at times, Tan said she tries to talk about it with others to help break the stigma.

The taboo of pole dancing itself can be what draws people in because it creates a sacred sort of environment. And with an element of secrecy, there is a lot less perceived

risk, Route said — thus the class becomes a space in which students can escape some of their inhibitions or insecurities.

“I love that it’s kind of underground,” Route said. “I think it makes people that much more serious about learning because, for whatever their reason, they are still choosing to come and do this despite what others may think.”

Route said she finds many of her students coming in with low self-confidence or low self-esteem. Whether it be divorce, an unhealthy relationship or something else that hit them emotionally, they are using pole dancing classes as a safe, open place to reclaim their sexuality, femininity and identity.

“I’ve had quite a few women who were [previously] in the Army, which is extremely regimented,” Route said. “Your femininity can get stripped away, so they come to class because they want to regain it for themselves.”

WHAT: Brass Ovaries’ Pole Dancing 101

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The ability to help change people’s lives is Route’s favorite part of teaching, she said, and she wants to utilize her role to reach people who have been hurt and change the way they feel about themselves for the better.

“Just their way of walking, keeping their chins up,” she said. “They’re like ‘I take this sexy class! And I’m going to work it!’ That feeling spills into your daily life.”

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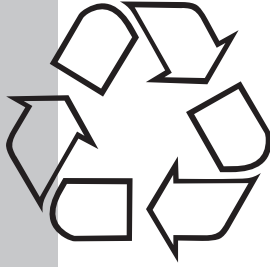
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Natasha Bajic observes and gives instruction as her advanced pole dancing aerobics class practices a new combination at the Brass Ovaries Pole Dancing studio. Pole dancing is considered a fun way to utilize an athletic background.

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Pole dancers defy gravity for fun fitness

By Rachel Perlmutter

With her body elongated and toes pointed three feet above the floor, instructor and studio owner of Brass Ovaries, Natasha Bajic, spirals downward on the 10-foot pole while it spins. Then, using only her hands for support, she circles around the pole, moving her legs as if she's on an imaginary bicycle — a technique she calls the Mary Poppins. Upon her dismount, all five of her advanced class students applaud. Minutes later, they, too, were climbing the pole, practicing the routine.

Pole dancing classes, while not new to the fitness scene, are largely overlooked by people because of the attached exotic dancer stigma. The underground performance art provides a unique way to get a full-body workout while embracing sensuality.

"I tried [pole dancing] for the first time at a bachelorette party and it was so great that we all swore we would take the class," said advanced student Odette Tan.

Pole dancing became a fun alternative to exercising, she said. For student Luki Martino, she said she chose to take a class after seeing an in-

fomercial for Flirty Girl Fitness. The class was cheaper than the video, she said.

For others, such as instructor Brynn Route, pole dancing is a fun way to utilize their athletic background. Route, 24, grew up doing dance and gymnastics. She now uses her training and techniques in the private lessons she teaches at the studio.

"Once you hit a certain age in gymnastics, if you aren't trying to go to the Olympics, you're kind of done," Route said. "I found pole dancing

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'Heming Way' leads charge for reform of modern man

By Julie Rene Tran
Daily Texan Staff

The man ran on foot through the African safari, shooting down lions, rhinoceroses and zebras. He swallowed more whiskey than water, killed Nazis and won the Nobel Prize in Literature. The man was Ernest Hemingway.

Saturday marks the 50th anniversary of Hemingway's death. And just in time to commemorate the many personas — both good and bad — of arguably one of the best American authors is former Esquire editor Marty Beckerman's latest parody book, "The Heming Way: How to Unleash the Booze-Inhaling, Animal-Slaughtering, War-Glorifying, Hairy-Chested, Retro-Sexual Legend Within ... Just Like Papa!"

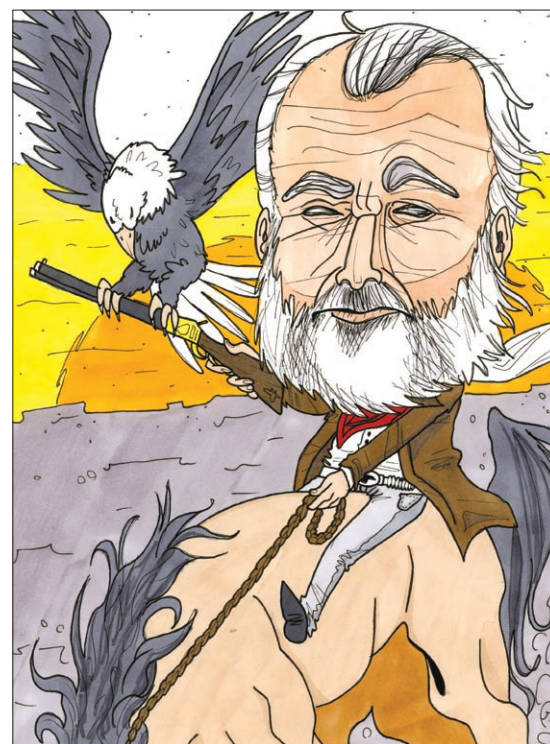
Released in June, the how-to

guide to unleashing the booze-inhaling, animal-slaughtering, war-glorifying, hairy-chested, retrosexual legend within is Beckerman's way of encouraging men, himself included, to bring back Hemingway's legendary brand of machismo.

"What we do as men now is we go to cupcake bakeries and we go to Pinkberry's frozen yogurt and we go to yoga for God's sake. It's pathetic," he said. "I don't think a man can respect himself when he's doing these things; where he can certainly respect himself when he's taking down lions and grizzlies and zebras and unicorns."

Instead of wasting the day indoors and in front of computer and cell phone screens, Beckerman said men should be climbing mountains, dominating battlefields and

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Ernest Hemingway was known as a man of the great outdoors. Marty Beckerman's parody of Hemingway's life urges men to restore their lost masculinity. In order to write the parody, Beckerman read Hemingway's entire written collection of works.

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